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NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

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For meeting at:
Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2)
101 South Webster Street
Madison, Wisconsin

Wednesday, April 25, 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY that the Natural Resources Board will convene at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2012, in Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), 101 South Webster Street, Madison, Wisconsin. The Board will act on items 1-7 as listed on the Agenda.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 12:00 p.m., the Natural Resources Board will meet in closed session under the authority of s.19.85(1)(e) Wisconsin Statutes for purposes of discussing potential real estate transactions and under the authority of s.19.85(1)(g) Wisconsin Statutes for purposes of discussing litigation matters.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that matters concerning natural resource issues or the Department's program responsibilities or operations specified in the Wisconsin Statutes, which arise after publication of this agenda may be added to the agenda and publicly noticed no less than two hours before the scheduled board meeting, if the Board Chair determines that the matter is urgent.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organizational Matters
 - A. Calling the roll
 - B. Approval of agenda for April 25, 2012
 - C. Approval of minutes from March 28, 2012
2. Ratification of Acts of the Department Secretary
 - A. Real Estate Transactions
3. Action Items
 - A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement

None
 - B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife
 1. Request adoption of Emergency Board Order WM-03-12(E) and authorization to conduct hearings on Board Order WM-09-11 related to the bobcat hunting and trapping seasons (John Olson, Furbearer Specialist, 10 minutes)
 2. Request authorization for public hearings on Board Order FR-19-11, relating to NR 47 subch. VII rule revision and subch. XIII rule creation of the Private Forest Landowner Grant Programs (Carol Nielsen, Private lands Forestry Specialist, 5 minutes)

3. Project establishment and designation of the Lake Michigan State Water Trail and continue to study other waterways for inclusion into a State Water Trails Program (Dan Schuller, Parks and Recreation Department Bureau Director, 30 minutes)
4. Request approval of antlerless deer quotas and permit levels and adoption of Emergency Board Order WM-05-12 related to an October, antlerless-only firearm deer season in the CWD Management Zone (Kevin Wallenfang, Big Game Specialist, 20 minutes)
5. Approval of Predation Management Addendum to Sharp-tailed Grouse Management Plan (Scott Walter, Upland Wildlife Ecologist, 15 minutes)
6. Ratification of Department decision to issue a Stewardship grant to The Conservation Fund (TCF) in the Town of Chicog, Washburn County for more than 50% of the acquisition cost (Mary Rose Teves, Community Financial Assistance Bureau Director, and Karen Blodgett, Community Service Specialist, 10 minutes)
NOTE: This item was moved from the February 22, 2012 Agenda

7. Ratification of Department determination that prohibitions of nature-based outdoor activities (NBOA) are necessary: Village of Mount Pleasant, Racine County (Dan Kaemmerer, Southeast Region Natural Resources Financial Assistance Specialist, 10 minutes)
NOTE: This item was tabled at the March 28, 2012 meeting

8. Land Acquisition, Project Boundary Modification, and Partial Donation of Value – Tichigan Wildlife Area – Racine County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)
NOTE: This item was moved from the March 28, 2012 agenda

9. Land Acquisition - Ice Age Trail - Marathon County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)

10. Land Acquisition, Partial Donation and Project Boundary Modification - Lost Creek Bog Natural Area - Bayfield County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)

11. Land Acquisition and Project Boundary Modification - Menard Island Resources Area - Lincoln County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)

12. Land Acquisition and Project Boundary Modification - Stream Bank Protection - Honey Creek Area - Walworth County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)

13. Land Donation - Statewide Habitat Areas - Adams County (Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, 5 minutes)

C. Scope Statements

1. Request approval of the statement of scope for Board Order FR-07-12 regarding authorization to initiate rules for administration of a Time Standards grant for County Forests (Jeff Barkley, County Forest Specialist, 5 minutes)

4. Citizen Participation – 1:00 p.m.

A. Citizen Recognition

1. Comeback Champs – Trumpeter Swans (Secretary Stepp, 10 minutes)
2. Rebecca Wallace Award (Secretary Stepp, 15 minutes)

B. Citizen Participation

(Citizen appearances on topics that are **not** on this month's agenda; appearances on items that are on this month's agenda are made at the time the Board considers the item. Visit the Board website for complete information about [Public Participation](#) at Board meetings.)

5. Board Members' Matters

6. Special Committees' Reports

None

7. Department Secretary's Matters

A. Retirement Resolutions

1. Stewart J. Smith
2. Daniel L. Thill

B. Donations

1. Friends of Mirror Lake State Park will donate \$60,000 to help fund the replacement of the seating located at the existing amphitheater area of Mirror Lake State Park
2. Menomonee Valley Partners will donate a sculpture valued at \$27,000 to the Hank Aaron State Trail in Milwaukee

8. Information Items

A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement

None

B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife

1. HDR presentation on comprehensive Study of Wisconsin's Fish Propagation System (Tom Johnson, HDR, and Mike Staggs, Fisheries Management Bureau Director, 20 minutes)
2. Real Estate Appraisal and Review Process, Stewardship Grants (Doug Haag, Realty Operations Manager, Pete Wolter, Statewide Review Appraiser, and Pam Foster Felt, Nonprofit Stewardship Grant Manager 15 minutes)

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